

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS23731

This is a fiscal year 2015 supplemental appropriation for the Department of Health and Welfare for the Division of Welfare's Benefit Payments Program and Indirect Support Services.

This bill provides an additional \$3,236,300 of federal funds for the Benefit Payments Program for the Idaho Child Care Program (ICCP). The ICCP is a subsidized program that provides support to individuals with children who are working or attending an accredited college or university. Child care subsidies are provided to individuals that have an annual income up to 130% of the federal poverty limit and need a safe place for the children to go while they are working or at school.

This bill also provides an additional \$2.6 million of federal fund appropriation and transfers \$1.3 million of General Funds from personnel costs to operating expenditures and capital outlay, for the Indirect Support Services Program to purchase various replacement items in the current fiscal year. These items were initially requested in the fiscal year 2016 budget and this bill reallocates the program's current General Fund appropriation, which saves the state General Fund dollars for fiscal year 2016, but allows the program to still meet its needs.

FISCAL NOTE

This bill increases the fiscal year 2015 federal fund appropriation for the Benefit Payments Program by \$3,236,300; increases the federal fund appropriation for Indirect Support Services by \$2,600,000 and realigns the General Fund appropriation for Indirect Support Services by transferring \$1,300,000 from personnel costs to include \$300,000 in operating expenditures and \$1,000,000 in capital outlay.

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